

**Carlisle Housing Authority
Meeting Minutes
April 11, 2016**

Present: Alan Lehotsky, Chair; Mark Levitan, Vice-Chair; Steven Pearlman; Elizabeth DeMille Barnett, Housing Coordinator. **Absent:** Barbara Bjornson.

Guests: Stephen Hinton, Carlisle Conservation Foundation; Karina Coombs, Chair of the Carlisle Affordable Housing Trust; Jonathan Stevens, Carlisle Planning Board.

1. Meeting called to order at 7:30 p.m.

2. Business

- A. Discussion 2016 Annual Town Meeting Warrant and Proposed Articles: Proposed Zoning Bylaw Changes to Site Plan Review, Community Preservation Act Articles and other articles.** Stephen Hinton, of the Carlisle Conservation Foundation (CCF), gave a detailed briefing, including the history, on Article 19 (Community Preservation Act Funds), Motion 5, which proposes that the Town purchase the Conservation Restriction for \$850,000 to be held by the CCF and the Town, for 20 acres of the Sorli Farm on Westford Street. Discussion followed. Alan Lehotsky raised a question about the owners being able to maintain the agricultural land over time. Mr. Hinton responded that if the owner did not maintain the property, the Town would have oversight. Mark Levitan asked if the appraisal and price for the Conservation Restriction took into account the fact the land had been under Chapter 61A. Mr. Hinton responded he would try to provide the information.

Jonathan Stevens, of the Carlisle Planning Board requested that he be allowed to be on the meeting agenda for the next Housing Authority meeting to discuss 2016 Annual Town Meeting Article 26, the Planning Board's proposal to amend the Town Bylaws regarding Site Plan Review. Consensus of the board was support for this request.

- B. Benfield Farms.** Recent pre-treatment test results were at or below Town requirements. The Board of Health Temporary Compliance has been extended to April.
- C. TILL, Inc. Group Home.** Construction continues on schedule for the group home.
- D. E. Lyn Lemaire Open Meeting Law Complaint with the Attorney General's Office.** Karina Coombs, Chair of the Carlisle Affordable Housing Trust reported that on March 30, 2016, the Attorney General had issued a decision on E. Lyn Lemaire's Open Meeting Law Complaint and found that there had been no violation on the part of the Affordable Housing Trust.
- E. United States Department of Commerce – US Census.** Ms. Barnett reported that she had filed this document on behalf of the Housing Authority and circulated a copy of the filing.
- F. Housing Coordinator Report.** Ms. Barnett reported that the Housing Authority had received 20 housing inquiries for family, senior as well as disabled housing for the month of March. The Employer Survey was under way. A meeting has been set up with

NOAH and the Director of the Gleason Public Library, in order to encourage programmatic synergy between the two entities. As stormwater management had been a major component in the both the permitting for the ground lease TILL, Inc. and NOAH Benfield projects; she is planning on attending a MassDEP briefing on the topic in order to keep the Housing Authority current on new development in this area.

G. Authorizations. The Housing Authority authorized funds for Ms. Barnett's attendance at the Massachusetts Planning Directors/AICP MassDEP Stormwater workshop.

H. Next Meeting Dates: April 28th, 2016.

Meeting Adjourned at 8:32 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Elizabeth DeMille Barnett, Housing Coordinator